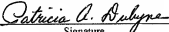


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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111**

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on December 3, 2008 having a three-month statutory period for response set to expire on March 3, 2009, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.